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SUBJECT: NADREPS MEETING, JULY 5, 1977

REF: A) USNATO 6151 DTG 281520ZJUN77
B) STATE 141748 DTG 172357JUN77
C) AC/259-D/584, 27 MAY 77
D) AC/301-N/1, MAY 17, 1977

SUMMARY: NADREPS MET ON JULY 5, 1977 AND DISCUSSED TACTICAL AREA COMMUNICATIONS, PERIODIC ARMAMENTS PLANNING, PREPARATIONS AND CONDUCT OF CNAD MEETINGS, ANTI-ARMOR, AIRCRAFT RELEASED LASER-GUIDED WEAPONS, AND THE GROUP OF EXPERTS ON ELECTRONIC PARTS. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE BY JULY 15 ON ISSUES IN PARA 7. END SUMMARY.

1. NADREPS MET ON JULY 5. ASYG(DS) LABERGE CHAIRED THE MEETING. SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION FOLLOWS.

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2. TACTICAL AREA COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. LABERGE OPENED BY REPORTING THAT THE TRI-SERVICE GROUP ON COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT (TSGCEE) COULD HOLD AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING IN SEPTEMBER 1977 TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE IF NECESSARY. HOWEVER, THE TSGCEE MEMBERS DO NOT THINK SUCH A MEETING WOULD BE USEFUL UNTIL NON-

TECHNICAL ISSUES ARE CLARIFIED BY HIGHER POLITICAL LEVELS.

- B. THE BE REP POINTED OUT THAT BE IS NOT OPPOSED TO REACHING AN EARLIER SOLUTION AS PROPOSED BY THE US AND HE NOW SEES THE FOLLOWING THREE THINGS IN THE US PROPOSAL WHICH HE WILL BE PREPARED TO COMMENT ON AT THE JULY 18 NADREPS MEETING. IN THE BE VIEW, THE US PROPOSAL:

- (1) SEEKS TO ACCELERATE THE DECISION TAKEN IN DEC 1976 AS OPPOSED TO PROVIDING A NEW SOLUTION;

- (2) SUGGESTS COMMON FUNDING WHICH IS USUALLY ATTRACTIVE, AT LEAST ON THE SURFACE;

- (3) CALLS FOR A COMMON MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION SIMILAR TO THAT USED FOR NICS.

- C. LABERGE SUGGESTED AND NADREPS AGREED THAT THE US MUST TAKE THE NEXT STEP TO CLARIFY THEIR PROPOSAL.

- D. NADREPS WILL DISCUSS THE ISSUE AGAIN ON JULY 18.
COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THE GUIDANCE ALREADY PROVIDED FOR TSGCEE MEETING AS ELABORATED ON BY THE US REP TO THE TSGCEE WILL SUFFICE FOR THE JULY 18 MEETING. END COMMENT.

3. STUDY ON PERIODIC ARMAMENTS PLANNING SYSTEM (PAPS).
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PAPS CHAIRMAN (PERRY) REPORTED THAT THE STUDY GROUP WILL MEET ON JULY 12 TO DISCUSS THE DRAFT REPORT ON PHASE I; IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE TO DISTRIBUTE THE REPORT FOR NATIONAL REVIEW DURING AUGUST AND TO APPROVE IT AT A SEP 77 NADREPS MEETING.

4. PREPARATION AND CONDUCT OF CNAD MEETINGS.

- A. LABERGE POSTPONED DISCUSSION OF DRAFT GUIDELINES FOR THE REPORTING OF MAIN GROUPS TO CNAD UNTIL THE JULY 18 NADREPS MEETING. DETAILS PROVIDED SEPTEL.

- B. LABERGE REQUESTED NATIONAL VIEWS AT THE JULY 18 NADREPS MEETING ON A TENTATIVE LIST OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE OCT 77 CNAD. DETAILS PROVIDED SEPTEL.

- C. ALL NATIONS AGREED TO HOLD THE SPRING 78 CNAD ON 7-8 MAR 1978.

- D. NADREPS AGREED TO POSTPONE FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE CONSULTING GROUP TO EXAMINE THE CNAD ORGANIZATION ("WISE MAN COMMITTEE") UNTIL THE ROLE OF THE LONG-TERM NATO INITIATIVES TASK FORCE ON RATIONALIZATION BECOMES CLEAR.

5. ANTI-ARMOR WARFARE IN THE POST-1980 TIMEFRAME.

- A. NADREPS AUTHORIZED THE CHAIRMAN TO DISPATCH THE LETTER REPORTED IN REF A TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE. THIS LETTER SEEKS ADVICE ON PRIORITIES IN THE ANTI-ARMOR FIELD AND ON THOSE CATEGORIES OF ANTI-ARMOR WEAPONS WHICH MOST NEED STANDARDIZATION/INTEROPERABILITY.

- B. THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF CIRCULATED A PAPER DESCRIB-

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ING THE 29 JUNE NAAG DECISION TO CREATE THE AD HOC COMMITTEE PROPOSED IN AC/225-D/487 TO DEVELOP PROPOSALS FOR THE FOLLOW-ON PROGRAM. THE NAAG ACTION RESPONDS TO THE CNAD TASKING IN AC/259-DS/19, PARA 23(4).

6. INTEROPERABILITY OF AIRCRAFT-RELEASED LASER-GUIDED WEAPONS.

- NADREPS CONTINUED THEIR DISCUSSIONS OF JUNE 20. DISCUSSIONS INCLUDED A REVIEW OF MAS AND NAFAG ACTIVITIES IN THIS AREA AS WELL AS NATIONAL VIEWS TO INCLUDE GUIDANCE PROVIDED IN REF B. NADREPS CONCLUDED THAT CURRENT MAS AND NAFAG ACTIVITIES DO NOT SATISFACTORILY ADDRESS THE AREA AND WILL NOT LEAD TO THE DESIRED INTEROPERABILITY. TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM, LABERGE WILL PREPARE A PAPER LAYING OUT THE PROBLEM AND ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS, AND PROPOSING A SOLUTION.

7. ANNUAL REPORT BY THE GROUP OF EXPERTS ON ELECTRONIC PARTS (AC/67). NADREPS BRIEFLY DISCUSSED AND WERE ASKED TO PRESENT NATIONAL POSITIONS ON THE ANNUAL REPORT OF AC/67 (REF C) AT THE JULY 18 MEETING. COMMENT: WE RECOMMEND THAT
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THE US APPROVE THE REPORT. END COMMENT. ADDITIONALLY, NADREPS DISCUSSED THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE AC/301 GROUP ON MATERIEL STANDARDIZATION AND AC/67. THEY NOTED THAT ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE (REF D) REQUIRES AC/301 TO SUPERVISE THE WORK OF GROUPS SUCH AS AC/67, BUT AGREED THAT AC/301 HAS MORE PRESSING WORK IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE ON THE ACCEPTABILITY OF AC/67'S ANNUAL REPORT (REF C) BY JULY 15, 1977. STREATOR

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